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RE: Application No. 10/683,973
In re application of: Kendall H. Fung, et al.
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In re application of: **Kendall H. Fung, David G. Dalton and Robert W. Warren**
Assignee: **SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC**
Application No.: **10/683,973** Group No.: **2641**
Filed: **October 10, 2003** Examiner:
For: **USING DATA COMPRESSION TO ACHIEVE LOWER LINEAR BIT DENSITIES ON A STORAGE MEDIUM**

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STATUS INQUIRY

1. More than twenty-six months have passed since the filing of this application on October 10, 2003. A status inquiry was filed on August 30, 2005 and a reply was mailed from the USPTO on December 13, 2005, however, the number of months in which to expect an action was omitted from the letter. A copy of the reply is attached.
2. Kindly advise the undersigned attorneys of the present status of this application by return fax.

Date:

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